

The Honorable S. Kate Vaughan

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE

TSR LLC,

Plaintiff,

v.

WIZARDS OF THE COAST LLC,

Defendant.

Case No. 2:21-cv-01705-SKV

**MOTION FOR STIPULATED
PROTECTIVE ORDER**

NOTE ON MOTION CALENDAR:
June 14, 2022

WIZARDS OF THE COAST LLC,

Counterclaim Plaintiff,

v.

TSR LLC; JUSTIN LANASA; and
DUNGEON HOBBY SHOP MUSEUM LLC,

Counterclaim Defendants.

I. RELIEF SOUGHT

Pursuant to Rule 26(c), Plaintiff and Counterclaim Defendant TSR LLC, Defendant and Counterclaim Plaintiff Wizards of the Coast LLC, and Counterclaim Defendants Justin LaNasa and Dungeon Hobby Shop Museum LLC (collectively, the “parties” or in the singular each a “party”) jointly move the Court for an order adopting and entering a proposed Stipulated Protective Order, filed herewith as Exhibit A.

1 The Proposed Stipulated Protective Order, agreed to by the parties, is entered to
2 facilitate the production of discovery materials between the parties and is not an admission by
3 any of the parties that material produced pursuant to the proposed Stipulated Protective Order
4 is in fact, confidential, proprietary or private information that warrants confidential treatment
5 under Rule 26(c)(1) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure (“Rule 26(c)(1)”). The parties,
6 however, agree that entry of the proposed Stipulated Protective Order will protect the
7 respective interests of the parties in producing material they believe, in good faith, warrants
8 protection pursuant to Rule 26(c)(1) and provides a framework for the parties to make any
9 necessary challenges to the confidentiality designation of the producing party.

10 II. CERTIFICATION

11 On April 18, 2022, the undersigned parties held a telephonic, remote good faith meet
12 and confer conference, and subsequently on May 17, 2022, submitted their Joint Status Report
13 and Proposed Discovery Plan (Dkt. 24) pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26(f),
14 Local Civil Rule 26(f), and the Court’s Order Regarding Initial Disclosures, Joint Status
15 Report, Case Procedures, and Early Settlement (Dkt. 20).

16 In preparing the proposed Stipulated Protective Order, the parties followed the
17 directives set forth for such an order on the website for the Western District of Washington.
18 Specifically, each of the parties made their best effort to list specific categories of documents
19 that they may, respectively, contend are entitled to protection pursuant to Rule 26(c)(1).

20 Accordingly, in Section 2 of the proposed Stipulated Protective Order, the parties listed
21 the categories of documents that they may contend are protected by Rule 26(c)(1) and/or are
22 entitled to special protection: confidential business and financial information, including but
23 not limited to proprietary business information and sensitive customer or client information.

24 The proposed Stipulated Protective Order is limited to information that one or more of
25 the respective parties may contend is entitled to confidential treatment under applicable legal

1 principles and does not purport to confer blanket protection on all disclosures or responses to
2 discovery. Nor does the proposed Stipulated Protective Order presumptively entitle the Parties
3 to file confidential information under seal. Pursuant to Local Rule 26(c)(2), a redline
4 comparing the proposed Stipulated Protective Order with the Model Stipulated Protective
5 Order for the Western District of Washington is filed herewith as Exhibit B.

6 **III. STIPULATION**

7 During the course of this litigation, the parties will produce documents or stipulate to
8 the release of documents, including confidential business and financial information, including
9 but not limited to proprietary business information and sensitive customer or client
10 information. Finally, the parties' production of documents and information will include
11 personal contact information of third parties.

12 The above-identified material is discoverable under Rule 26(a) of the Federal Rules of
13 Civil Procedure, subject to possible redactions. The parties want to ensure that the information
14 is not disclosed outside the confines of litigation between them. To that end, the parties jointly
15 submit the proposed Stipulated Protective Order, filed herewith as Exhibit A, to protect
16 information designated as "confidential" by any party, and provide a mechanism for resolving
17 disputes over whether information should be covered by the proposed Stipulated Protective
18 Order. The parties believe that the proposed Stipulated Protective Order is the appropriate
19 vehicle for ensuring that confidential information is accessible to all parties without exposing
20 the provider to unnecessary disclosure of confidential information.

21 **IV. CONCLUSION**

22 For the foregoing reasons, the parties respectfully request that the Court grant their
23 joint Motion for Stipulated Protective Order pursuant to Rule 26(c) of the Federal Rules of
24 Civil Procedure. The parties jointly ask that this Court enter the Stipulated Protective Order
25 in the form attached as Exhibit A.

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1. PURPOSES AND LIMITATIONS

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Coast LLC, and Counterclaim Defendants Justin LaNasa and Dungeon Hobby Shop Museum LLC (collectively, the “parties” or in the singular each a “party”) hereby stipulate to and petition the court to enter the following Stipulated Protective Order. The parties acknowledge that this agreement is consistent with LCR 26(c). It does not confer blanket protection on all disclosures or responses to discovery, the protection it affords from public disclosure and use extends only to the limited information or items that are entitled to confidential treatment under the applicable legal principles, and it does not presumptively entitle parties to file confidential information under seal.

2. “CONFIDENTIAL” MATERIAL

“Confidential” material shall include the following documents and tangible things produced or otherwise exchanged: Confidential business and financial information, including but not limited to proprietary business information and sensitive customer or client information.

3. SCOPE

The protections conferred by this agreement cover not only confidential material (as defined above), but also (1) any information copied or extracted from confidential material; (2) all copies, excerpts, summaries, or compilations of confidential material; and (3) any testimony, conversations, or presentations by parties or their counsel that might reveal confidential material.

However, the protections conferred by this agreement do not cover information that is in the public domain or becomes part of the public domain through trial or otherwise.

4. ACCESS TO AND USE OF CONFIDENTIAL MATERIAL

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disclosed only to the categories of persons and under the conditions described in this agreement. Confidential material must be stored and maintained by a receiving party at a location and in a secure manner that ensures that access is limited to the persons authorized under this agreement. It is expressly intended and agreed that Confidential material will not be made public via social media, Internet publication, or otherwise.

4.2 Disclosure of “CONFIDENTIAL” Information or Items. Unless otherwise ordered by the court or permitted in writing by the designating party, a receiving party may disclose any confidential material only to:

(a) the receiving party’s counsel of record in this action, as well as employees of counsel to whom it is reasonably necessary to disclose the information for this litigation;

(b) the officers, directors, and employees (including in house counsel) of the receiving party to whom disclosure is reasonably necessary for this litigation, unless the parties agree that a particular document or material produced is for Attorney’s Eyes Only and is so designated;

(c) experts and consultants to whom disclosure is reasonably necessary for this litigation and who have signed the “Acknowledgment and Agreement to Be Bound” (Exhibit A);

(d) the court, court personnel, and court reporters and their staff, including any court reporter or videographer reporting a deposition;

(e) copy or imaging services, database services, and trial support firms retained by counsel to assist in the duplication, production, or storage of confidential material, provided that counsel for the party retaining the service instructs the service not to disclose any confidential material to third parties and to immediately return all originals and copies of any confidential material;

1 (f) during their depositions, witnesses in the action to whom disclosure is
2 reasonably necessary and who have signed the “Acknowledgment and Agreement to Be
3 Bound” (Exhibit A), unless otherwise agreed by the designating party or ordered by the court.
4 Pages of transcribed deposition testimony or exhibits to depositions that reveal confidential
5 material must be separately bound by the court reporter and may not be disclosed to anyone
6 except as permitted under this agreement;

7 (g) the author or recipient of a document containing the information or a
8 custodian or other person who otherwise possessed or knew the information;

9 (h) professional jury or trial consultants, mock jurors, and professional vendors
10 to whom disclosure is reasonably necessary for this litigation and who have signed the
11 “Acknowledgment and Agreement to Be Bound” (Exhibit A); and

12 (i) other persons only by written consent of the producing party or upon
13 order of the court, and on such conditions as may be agreed or ordered.

14 4.3 Filing Confidential Material. Before filing confidential material or discussing or
15 referencing such material in court filings, the filing party shall confer with the designating
16 party, in accordance with Local Civil Rule 5(g)(3)(A), to determine whether the designating
17 party will remove the confidential designation, whether the document can be redacted, or
18 whether a motion to seal or stipulation and proposed order is warranted. During the meet and
19 confer process, the designating party must identify the basis for sealing the specific
20 confidential information at issue, and the filing party shall include this basis in its motion to
21 seal, along with any objection to sealing the information at issue. Local Civil Rule 5(g) sets
22 forth the procedures that must be followed and the standards that will be applied when a party
23 seeks permission from the court to file material under seal. A party who seeks to maintain the
24 confidentiality of its information must satisfy the requirements of Local Civil Rule 5(g)(3)(B),
25 even if it is not the party filing the motion to seal. Failure to satisfy this requirement will result

1 in the motion to seal being denied, in accordance with the strong presumption of public access
2 to the Court's files.

3 5. DESIGNATING PROTECTED MATERIAL

4 5.1 Exercise of Restraint and Care in Designating Material for Protection. Each
5 party or non-party that designates information or items for protection under this agreement
6 must take care to limit any such designation to specific material that qualifies under the
7 appropriate standards. The designating party must designate for protection only those
8 materials, documents, items, or oral or written communications that qualify, so that other
9 materials, documents, items, or communications for which protection is not warranted are not
10 swept unjustifiably within the ambit of this agreement.

11 Mass, indiscriminate, or routinized designations are prohibited. Designations that are
12 shown to be clearly unjustified or that have been made for an improper purpose (*e.g.*, to
13 unnecessarily encumber or delay the case development process or to impose unnecessary
14 expenses and burdens on other parties) expose the designating party to sanctions.

15 If it comes to a designating party's attention that information or items that it designated
16 for protection do not qualify for protection, the designating party must promptly notify all other
17 parties that it is withdrawing the mistaken designation.

18 5.2 Manner and Timing of Designations. Except as otherwise provided in this
19 agreement (*see, e.g.*, section 5.2(b) below), or as otherwise stipulated or ordered, disclosure or
20 discovery material that qualifies for protection under this agreement must be clearly so
21 designated before or when the material is disclosed or produced.

22 (a) Information in documentary form: (*e.g.*, paper or electronic documents
23 and deposition exhibits, but excluding transcripts of depositions or other pretrial or trial
24 proceedings) the designating party must affix the word "CONFIDENTIAL" to the bottom of
25 each page of the document.

(b) Testimony given in deposition or in other pretrial proceedings: the parties and any participating non-parties may identify on the record, during the deposition or other pretrial proceeding, all protected testimony, without prejudice to their right to so designate other testimony after reviewing the transcript. All deposition transcripts will be treated as confidential for fifteen days after receipt of the transcript. Any party or non-party may, within fifteen days after receiving the transcript of the deposition or other pretrial proceeding, designate portions of the transcript, or exhibits thereto, as confidential. If a party or non-party desires to protect confidential information at trial, the issue should be addressed during the pre-trial conference.

(c) Other tangible items: the producing party must affix in a prominent place on the exterior of the container or containers in which the information or item is stored the word "CONFIDENTIAL." If only a portion or portions of the information or item warrant protection, the producing party, to the extent practicable, shall identify the protected portion(s).

5.3 Inadvertent Failures to Designate. If timely corrected, an inadvertent failure to designate qualified information or items does not, standing alone, waive the designating party's right to secure protection under this agreement for such material. Upon timely correction of a designation, the receiving party must make reasonable efforts to ensure that the material is treated in accordance with the provisions of this agreement.

6. CHALLENGING CONFIDENTIALITY DESIGNATIONS

6.1 Timing of Challenges. Any party or non-party may challenge a designation of confidentiality at any time. Unless a prompt challenge to a designating party's confidentiality designation is necessary to avoid foreseeable, substantial unfairness, unnecessary economic burdens, or a significant disruption or delay of the litigation, a party does not waive its right to challenge a confidentiality designation by electing not to mount a challenge promptly after the original designation is disclosed.

6.2 Meet and Confer. The parties must make every attempt to resolve any dispute regarding confidential designations without court involvement. Any motion regarding confidential designations or for a protective order must include a certification, in the motion or in a declaration or affidavit, that the movant has engaged in a good faith meet and confer conference with other affected parties in an effort to resolve the dispute without court action. The certification must list the date, manner, and participants to the conference. A good faith effort to confer requires a face-to-face meeting or a telephone conference.

6.3 Judicial Intervention. If the parties cannot resolve a challenge without court intervention, the designating party may file and serve a motion to retain confidentiality under Local Civil Rule 7 (and in compliance with Local Civil Rule 5(g), if applicable). The burden of persuasion in any such motion shall be on the designating party. Frivolous challenges, and those made for an improper purpose (*e.g.*, to harass or impose unnecessary expenses and burdens on other parties) may expose the challenging party to sanctions. All parties shall continue to maintain the material in question as confidential until the court rules on the challenge.

7. PROTECTED MATERIAL SUBPOENAED OR ORDERED PRODUCED IN OTHER LITIGATION

If a party is served with a subpoena or a court order issued in other litigation that compels disclosure of any information or items designated in this action as “CONFIDENTIAL,” that party must:

(a) promptly notify the designating party in writing and include a copy of the subpoena or court order;

(b) promptly notify in writing the party who caused the subpoena or order to issue in the other litigation that some or all of the material covered by the subpoena or order is subject to this agreement. Such notification shall include a copy of this agreement; and

(c) cooperate with respect to all reasonable procedures sought to be pursued

1 by the designating party whose confidential material may be affected.

2 8. A NON-PARTY'S PROTECTED MATERIAL SOUGHT TO BE PRODUCED IN
 3 THIS LITIGATION

4 The terms of this Stipulated Protective Order are applicable to information produced
 5 by a non-party in this action and designated as "CONFIDENTIAL." Such information
 6 produced by non-parties in connection with this litigation is protected by the remedies and
 7 relief provided by this Stipulated Protective Order. Nothing in these provisions should be
 8 construed as prohibiting a non-party from seeking additional protections.

9 In the event that a party is required, by a valid discovery request, to produce a non-
 10 party's confidential information in its possession, and the party is subject to an agreement with
 11 the non-party not to produce the non-party's confidential information, then the party shall:

- 12 a) promptly notify in writing the requesting party and the non-party that some or
 13 all of the information requested is subject to a confidentiality agreement with a
 14 non-party;
- 15 b) promptly provide the non-party with a copy of the Stipulated Protective Order
 16 in this litigation, the relevant discovery request(s), and a reasonably specific
 17 description of the information requested; and
- 18 c) make the information requested available for inspection by the non-party.

19 If the non-party fails to object or seek a protective order from this court within fourteen
 20 days of receiving the notice and accompanying information, the receiving party may produce
 21 the non-party's confidential information responsive to the discovery request. If the non-party
 22 timely seeks a protective order, the receiving party shall not produce any information in its
 23 possession or control that is subject to the confidentiality agreement with the non-party before
 24 a determination by the court. Absent a court order to the contrary, the non-party shall bear the
 25 burden and expense of seeking protection in this court of its protected material.

9. UNAUTHORIZED DISCLOSURE OF PROTECTED MATERIAL

If a receiving party learns that, by inadvertence or otherwise, it has disclosed confidential material to any person or in any circumstance not authorized under this agreement, the receiving party must immediately (a) notify in writing the designating party of the unauthorized disclosures, (b) use its best efforts to retrieve all unauthorized copies of the protected material, (c) inform the person or persons to whom unauthorized disclosures were made of all the terms of this agreement, and (d) request that such person or persons execute the “Acknowledgment and Agreement to Be Bound” that is attached hereto as Exhibit A.

10. INADVERTENT PRODUCTION OF PRIVILEGED OR OTHERWISE PROTECTED MATERIAL

When a producing party gives notice to receiving parties that certain inadvertently produced material is subject to a claim of privilege or other protection, the obligations of the receiving parties are those set forth in Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26(b)(5)(B). This provision is not intended to modify whatever procedure may be established in an e-discovery order or agreement that provides for production without prior privilege review. The parties agree to the entry of a non-waiver order under Fed. R. Evid. 502(d) as set forth herein.

11. NON-TERMINATION AND RETURN OF DOCUMENTS

Within 60 days after the termination of this action, including all appeals, each receiving party must return all confidential material to the producing party, including all copies, extracts and summaries thereof. Alternatively, the parties may agree upon appropriate methods of destruction.

Notwithstanding this provision, counsel are entitled to retain one archival copy of all documents filed with the court, trial, deposition, and hearing transcripts, correspondence, deposition and trial exhibits, expert reports, attorney work product, and consultant and expert work product, even if such materials contain confidential material.

1 The confidentiality obligations imposed by this agreement shall remain in effect until
2 a designating party agrees otherwise in writing or a court orders otherwise.

3 IT IS SO STIPULATED, THROUGH COUNSEL OF RECORD.

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II. ORDER

PURSUANT TO STIPULATION, IT IS SO ORDERED.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that pursuant to Fed. R. Evid. 502(d), the production of any documents in this proceeding shall not, for the purposes of this proceeding or any other federal or state proceeding, constitute a waiver by the producing party of any privilege applicable to those documents, including the attorney-client privilege, attorney work-product protection, or any other privilege or protection recognized by law.

DATED: _____

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EXHIBIT AACKNOWLEDGMENT AND AGREEMENT TO BE BOUND

I, _____ [print or type full name], of
 _____ [print or type full address], declare under penalty
 of perjury that I have read in its entirety and understand the Stipulated Protective Order that
 was issued by the United States District Court for the Western District of Washington on
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 to sanctions and punishment in the nature of contempt. I solemnly promise that I will not
 disclose in any manner any information or item that is subject to this Stipulated Protective
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I further agree to submit to the jurisdiction of the United States District Court for the
 Western District of Washington for the purpose of enforcing the terms of this Stipulated
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Date: _____

City and State where sworn and signed: _____

Printed name: _____

Signature: _____

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25 and deposition exhibits, but excluding transcripts of depositions or other pretrial or trial
proceedings); the designating party must affix the word "CONFIDENTIAL" to the bottom of

~~each page of the document. each page that contains confidential material. If only a portion or portions of the material on a page qualifies for protection, the producing party also must clearly identify the protected portion(s) (e.g., by making appropriate markings in the margins).~~

(b) Testimony given in deposition or in other pretrial proceedings: the parties and any participating non-parties ~~must~~ may identify on the record, during the deposition or other pretrial proceeding, all protected testimony, without prejudice to their right to so designate other testimony after reviewing the transcript. All deposition transcripts will be treated as confidential for fifteen days after receipt of the transcript. Any party or non-party may, within fifteen days after receiving the transcript of the deposition or other pretrial proceeding, designate portions of the transcript, or exhibits thereto, as confidential. If a party or non-party desires to protect confidential information at trial, the issue should be addressed during the pre-trial conference.

(c) Other tangible items: the producing party must affix in a prominent place on the exterior of the container or containers in which the information or item is stored the word "CONFIDENTIAL." If only a portion or portions of the information or item warrant protection, the producing party, to the extent practicable, shall identify the protected portion(s).

5.3 Inadvertent Failures to Designate. If timely corrected, an inadvertent failure to designate qualified information or items does not, standing alone, waive the designating party's right to secure protection under this agreement for such material. Upon timely correction of a designation, the receiving party must make reasonable efforts to ensure that the material is treated in accordance with the provisions of this agreement.

6. CHALLENGING CONFIDENTIALITY DESIGNATIONS

6.1 Timing of Challenges. Any party or non-party may challenge a designation of confidentiality at any time. Unless a prompt challenge to a designating party's confidentiality designation is necessary to avoid foreseeable, substantial unfairness, unnecessary economic burdens, or a significant disruption or delay of the litigation, a party does not waive its right to

1 challenge a confidentiality designation by electing not to mount a challenge promptly after the
2 original designation is disclosed.

3 6.2 Meet and Confer. The parties must make every attempt to resolve any dispute
4 regarding confidential designations without court involvement. Any motion regarding
5 confidential designations or for a protective order must include a certification, in the motion
6 or in a declaration or affidavit, that the movant has engaged in a good faith meet and confer
7 conference with other affected parties in an effort to resolve the dispute without court action.
8 The certification must list the date, manner, and participants to the conference. A good faith
9 effort to confer requires a face-to-face meeting or a telephone conference.

10 6.3 Judicial Intervention. If the parties cannot resolve a challenge without court
11 intervention, the designating party may file and serve a motion to retain confidentiality under
12 Local Civil Rule 7 (and in compliance with Local Civil Rule 5(g), if applicable). The burden
13 of persuasion in any such motion shall be on the designating party. Frivolous challenges, and
14 those made for an improper purpose (*e.g.*, to harass or impose unnecessary expenses and
15 burdens on other parties) may expose the challenging party to sanctions. All parties shall
16 continue to maintain the material in question as confidential until the court rules on the
17 challenge.

18 7. PROTECTED MATERIAL SUBPOENAED OR ORDERED PRODUCED IN
19 OTHER LITIGATION

20 If a party is served with a subpoena or a court order issued in other litigation that
21 compels disclosure of any information or items designated in this action as
22 “CONFIDENTIAL,” that party must:

23 (a) promptly notify the designating party in writing and include a copy of
24 the subpoena or court order;
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(b) promptly notify in writing the party who caused the subpoena or order to issue in the other litigation that some or all of the material covered by the subpoena or order is subject to this agreement. Such notification shall include a copy of this agreement; and

(c) cooperate with respect to all reasonable procedures sought to be pursued by the designating party whose confidential material may be affected.

8. A NON-PARTY'S PROTECTED MATERIAL SOUGHT TO BE PRODUCED IN THIS LITIGATION

The terms of this Stipulated Protective Order are applicable to information produced by a non-party in this action and designated as "CONFIDENTIAL." Such information produced by non-parties in connection with this litigation is protected by the remedies and relief provided by this Stipulated Protective Order. Nothing in these provisions should be construed as prohibiting a non-party from seeking additional protections.

In the event that a party is required, by a valid discovery request, to produce a non-party's confidential information in its possession, and the party is subject to an agreement with the non-party not to produce the non-party's confidential information, then the party shall:

- a) promptly notify in writing the requesting party and the non-party that some or all of the information requested is subject to a confidentiality agreement with a non-party;
- b) promptly provide the non-party with a copy of the Stipulated Protective Order in this litigation, the relevant discovery request(s), and a reasonably specific description of the information requested; and
- c) make the information requested available for inspection by the non-party.

If the non-party fails to object or seek a protective order from this court within fourteen days of receiving the notice and accompanying information, the receiving party may produce the non-party's confidential information responsive to the discovery request. If the non-party timely seeks a protective order, the receiving party shall not produce any information in its

possession or control that is subject to the confidentiality agreement with the non-party before a determination by the court. Absent a court order to the contrary, the non-party shall bear the burden and expense of seeking protection in this court of its ~~p~~Protected ~~m~~Material.

98. UNAUTHORIZED DISCLOSURE OF PROTECTED MATERIAL

If a receiving party learns that, by inadvertence or otherwise, it has disclosed confidential material to any person or in any circumstance not authorized under this agreement, the receiving party must immediately (a) notify in writing the designating party of the unauthorized disclosures, (b) use its best efforts to retrieve all unauthorized copies of the protected material, (c) inform the person or persons to whom unauthorized disclosures were made of all the terms of this agreement, and (d) request that such person or persons execute the "Acknowledgment and Agreement to Be Bound" that is attached hereto as Exhibit A.

109. INADVERTENT PRODUCTION OF PRIVILEGED OR OTHERWISE PROTECTED MATERIAL

When a producing party gives notice to receiving parties that certain inadvertently produced material is subject to a claim of privilege or other protection, the obligations of the receiving parties are those set forth in Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26(b)(5)(B). This provision is not intended to modify whatever procedure may be established in an e-discovery order or agreement that provides for production without prior privilege review. The parties agree to the entry of a non-waiver order under Fed. R. Evid. 502(d) as set forth herein.

1140. NON-TERMINATION AND RETURN OF DOCUMENTS

Within 60 days after the termination of this action, including all appeals, each receiving party must return all confidential material to the producing party, including all copies, extracts and summaries thereof. Alternatively, the parties may agree upon appropriate methods of destruction.

Notwithstanding this provision, counsel are entitled to retain one archival copy of all documents filed with the court, trial, deposition, and hearing transcripts, correspondence, deposition and trial exhibits, expert reports, attorney work product, and consultant and expert work product, even if such materials contain confidential material.

The confidentiality obligations imposed by this agreement shall remain in effect until a designating party agrees otherwise in writing or a court orders otherwise.

IT IS SO STIPULATED, THROUGH COUNSEL OF RECORD.

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II. ORDER

PURSUANT TO STIPULATION, IT IS SO ORDERED.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that pursuant to Fed. R. Evid. 502(d), the production of any documents in this proceeding shall not, for the purposes of this proceeding or any other federal or state proceeding, constitute a waiver by the producing party of any privilege applicable to those documents, including the attorney-client privilege, attorney work-product protection, or any other privilege or protection recognized by law.

DATED: _____

The Honorable S. Kate Vaughan ~~Name of Judge~~
United States Magistrate ~~District Court~~
Judge

EXHIBIT AACKNOWLEDGMENT AND AGREEMENT TO BE BOUND

I, _____ [print or type full name], of
 _____ [print or type full address], declare under penalty
 of perjury that I have read in its entirety and understand the Stipulated Protective Order that
 was issued by the United States District Court for the Western District of Washington on
 _____ [date] in the case of TSR LLC v. Wizards of the Coast LLC and Wizards of the
Coast LLC v. TSR LLC, Justin LaNasa, and Dungeon Hobby Shop Museum (United States
District Court for the Western District of Washington Case No. 2:21-cv-01705-
SKV) _____ [insert formal name of the case and the number and initials
 assigned to it by the court]. I agree to comply with and to be bound by all the terms of this
 Stipulated Protective Order and I understand and acknowledge that failure to so comply could
 expose me to sanctions and punishment in the nature of contempt. I solemnly promise that I
 will not disclose in any manner any information or item that is subject to this Stipulated
 Protective Order to any person or entity except in strict compliance with the provisions of this
 Order.

I further agree to submit to the jurisdiction of the United States District Court for the
 Western District of Washington for the purpose of enforcing the terms of this Stipulated
 Protective Order, even if such enforcement proceedings occur after termination of this action.

Date: _____

City and State where sworn and signed: _____

Printed name: _____

Signature: _____